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1. The Volkspolizei school at Gilsen is an officers' training center specializing in artillery instruction (Category B).
2. Although the school is currently equipped with Infantry weapons only (carbine 98 K, pistol 08, machine pistol 44, machine gun 08), an undetermined number of artillery pieces (calibre 105 mm and 121 mm) will be placed at its disposal in the near future. An indication of the number of pieces may be deduced from the fact that a shed designed to hold four of them is at present under construction. A second shed (capacity unknown) is at present in the planning stage. [redacted] Comment: The 105 mm is probably the standard German Army Light Field Howitzer 08, whereas the 121 mm has no German counterpart and is likely to be the Russian artillery piece mounted on Stalin tanks.)
3. At present, although training is devoted primarily to political indoctrination, recruits are given concurrent basic military training which, while stressing platoon and company leadership, corresponds roughly to the type of training German non-com schools formerly provided.
4. The training cadre T/O includes 120 instructors of officer rank and 120 non-commissioned instructors. The student body T/O strength is 950 men. On the date of information the cadre consisted of 30 officers and 80 non-commissioned officers, while 720 trainees were in attendance at the school. [redacted] Comment: 20 The official T/O of a Category A (Infantry) training school provides for 830 students, 10 company commanders, 10 PK Deputies, and 10 Company Clerks. Added to the number of students are 10 First Sergeants (Innenwachtmeister) and 120 Squad leaders who are drawn from the student corps.)
5. The school itself comprises the school command and ten companies. Each company consists of 6 officers (4 platoon leaders, one PK, and one company CO) and 100 students.
6. Seven of the ten companies of the Gilsen school are presently

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up to strength. The eighth company is still in the process of formation while the ninth and tenth companies have at present only one officer and four platoon leaders assigned to them. Instructions have been issued to bring all companies up to full strength by 15 November.

7. For training purposes the cadre is divided into the following four groups:

- a. School command and chief instructors (Oberpolizeirat and higher);
- b. Instructors and company commanders (Polizeirat and above);
- c. Platoon leaders (Polizei Kommandeur and above);
- d. Deputy Platoon Leaders (non-commissioned grades).

[ ] Comment: This is not an official breakdown. In this instance it serves the practical purpose of bringing together groups at similar stages of training and is left to the discretion of the school commandant.)

5. Personalities.

School Chief: Inspekteur Teloh.  
Deputy Chief PK: Herbert Thiele  
Supply Chief: Kommandeur Larisch

Instruction Section.

Chief: Polizeirat Bachmeier.  
Planning Assistant: Polizeikommandeur Baumann.  
Chief Engineers Instructor: Oberpolizeirat Thiele.  
Chief (?) General Education Instructor: Polizeirat Eckart.  
Chief (?) Communications Instructor: Polizeirat Menzel.  
Chief (?) Tactical Instructor: Oberwachmeister Kusch.  
Chief (?) Political Instructor: Kommandeur Kalitzky.  
General Education Instructor: Kommissar Klapschinsky.

PK Section.

Organizational Leader of the SED: Oberpolizeirat Binnstein.  
[ ] Comment: T/O designation: Chairman of Party Commission.)  
Political Supervision: Oberpolizeirat Beyl.  
[ ] Comment: No corresponding position on the official T/O, possibly identical with Instructor for Party work.)

Personnel Section (Kanzlei)

Chief: Oberkommissar Neubert.  
Deputy Chief: Oberpolizeirat Kaselowski.  
Assistant: Hauptwachmeister Moll.  
[ ] Comment: The current T/O calls for a Chef der Kanzlei and under him a Personnel Chief. The bulk of personnel work is now being handled by the personnel chief and no longer by the chief of the section himself who, under the old system, bore the designation "Einsatzleiter".)

Finance Section.

Chief: Polizeikommissar Kleffel  
Hauptwachmeister Loschke  
Hauptwachmeister Schwarz

Uniform Section.

Chief (?): Polizeimeister Flügge

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Clerical Personnel.

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Fräulein Oldag

Herr Gutscher

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three civilian clerks.)

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